

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1559 - SB 1604

February 4, 2020

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires local education agencies (LEAs) and charter schools to expand instruction to all public school students in kindergarten through grade 12 (K-12) on the events of September 11, 2001. Establishes requirements for the time, date, duration, and content of the instruction.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013952): Deletes all language after the enacting clause and rewrites the original bill such that the only substantive changes are to: 1) remove instruction requirements and encourage LEAs and public charter schools to include certain criteria in the instruction of the events of September 11, 2001; and 2) repeal the legislation on July 1, 2025.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The events of September 11, 2001 are currently taught in the 11th grade as a part of the Tennessee Academic Standards for Social Studies.
- DOE, LEAs, and charter schools will be able to comply with the proposed legislation using widely available and free resources related to the events of September 11, 2001.
- DOE, LEAs, and charter schools will be able to amend their policies in accordance with the provisions of this legislation during the normal course of business; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- No significant impact to state or local operations.
- No impact to the BEP funding formula.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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